

BOARD OF NURSING  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 1, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ruth Lindgren, Jackie Johnsrud, Pamela Maxson-Cooper,  
Marilynn Panka, Linda Sanner

MEMBER EXCUSED: June Bahr

LEGAL COUNSEL: Wayne Austin (portion of meeting)

STAFF PRESENT: Deanna Zychowski, Karen Rude-Evans

GUESTS: Katherine Dimmock and Ann Cook, Columbia College of Nursing;  
Gina Dennik-Champion, WNA

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Linda Sanner called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendments: -Proposed administrative warning in the matter concerning Donna L. Gritt, LPN  
-Proposed administrative warning in the matter concerning Tracy L. Martin, RN

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to add only the administrative warnings onto the agenda for this meeting, and to inform DRL staff that the Board of Nursing will no longer accept late additions to the agenda. Materials handed out at the meetings do not allow adequate time for the Board members to review and make decisions on these matters. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Pamela Maxson-Cooper, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY OSCAR HERRERA

Secretary Oscar Herrera was not available. The new Deputy Secretary, Greg Horstman, introduced himself and answered some questions relating to the reorganization of DRL.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2002

Correction: -On page 4, under ROBIN KING, RN, after the motion, add the sentence, "Linda Sanner will correspond with the Medical Examining Board regarding methadone treatment."

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to approve the Minutes of January 4, 2002, as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

## SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

These reports were informational.

### REVIEW OF TESTIMONY

The Board reviewed the testimony of Linda Sanner and Secretary Herrera that was presented at three hearings relating to Wisconsin's shortage of nurses, the practice of nurse mid-wifery in Wisconsin, and 2001 Senate Bill 356 relating to the disclosure of information about licensed nurses to the coordinated licensure information system.

### CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO PIC CATHETERS AND TRAINING

This item was informational.

### CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO MERCURY-FREE THERMOMETERS

This item was informational.

### REPORT OF EDUCATION AND LICENSURE COMMITTEE

Ruth Lindgren reported the Committee reviewed information from Columbia/Mt. Mary, and recommended the Board approve them as a major program change.

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to accept Columbia/Mount Mary College as a major program change and to have them submit materials at the appropriate times. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee also discussed the draft criteria for LPN refresher courses. After review, the Board decided to make a language change in the criteria.

MOTION: Pamela Maxson-Cooper moved, seconded by Jackie Johnsrud, to change "should" to "must" in the criteria for LPN refresher courses, and to approve the criteria with that change. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board also decided to make the same language change in the criteria for RN refresher courses.

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Pamela Maxson-Cooper, to change "should" to "must" in the criteria for RN refresher courses, and to approve the criteria with that change. Motion carried unanimously.

### NCLEX EXAM ISSUES

Pamela Maxson-Cooper brought up the issue of quality monitoring of exam sites and computer systems. The Board would like to see an analysis of pass rates for exam sites.

## COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS

Committee organization and assignments were reviewed.

Practice Committee:	Pamela Maxson-Cooper, June Bahr, Jackie Johnsrud, Linda Sanner, public member
Education and Licensure:	Ruth Lindgren, Pamela Maxson-Cooper, Jackie Johnsrud, Marilyn Panka, public member
Discipline:	Linda Sanner, Pamela-Maxson-Cooper, Jackie Johnsrud, Marilyn Panka, public member
Rules and Legislation:	Pamela Maxson-Cooper, Linda Sanner, Jackie Johnsrud, Ruth Lindgren, public member
IPP Liaison:	June Bahr
Board Monitor:	Linda Sanner
Endorsements/Exams:	Jackie Johnsrud

## NCSBN REPRESENTATION

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Pamela Maxson-Cooper, to have Ruth Lindgren represent the Board at the NCSBN meeting in March. Motion carried unanimously.

Jackie Johnsrud thanked Ruth Lindgren for all her great work with education and her representation of the Board. The other Board members echoed the same sentiment.

## RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Marilyn Panka moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to recess to closed session pursuant to Chapter 19.85(1)(a), (b), (f) and (g), Wis Stats., for the purpose of consideration of removal from IPP, personal appearances, consideration of requests for stays of suspensions and modification of orders, consideration for requests for unlimited licenses, reviewing orders, deliberation of a proposed stipulation, deliberation of a proposed decision, consideration of administrative warnings, reviewing case status report and consulting with legal counsel. Roll call vote: Jackie Johnsrud – yes, Ruth Lindgren – yes, Pamela Maxson-Cooper – yes, Marilyn Panka – yes, Linda Sanner – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session recessed at 9:43 a.m.

## RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilyn Panka, to reconvene in open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session reconvened at 12:56 p.m.

## VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED/DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Ruth Lindgren moved, seconded by Jackie Johnsrud, to reaffirm all motions made during closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

## REMOVAL FROM IPP

No requests were made for removal from IPP.

## PERSONAL APPEARANCES

### **CHRISTINE G CLEARY, LPN**

Christine G. Cleary appeared before the Board regarding her application for LPN licensure.

MOTION: Ruth Lindgren moved, seconded by Marilyn Panka, to offer Christine G. Cleary, LPN, the opportunity to have a second assessment. The Board will review the assessment and recommendations and will make a decision on Ms. Cleary's application at that time. Motion carried unanimously.

### **SANDRA STOCK, RN**

Sandra Stock appeared before the Board to request a stay of suspension.

MOTION: Ruth Lindgren moved, seconded by Pamela Maxson-Cooper, to deny the request for a stay of suspension to Sandra Stock, RN, for non-compliance with her Order. Motion carried unanimously.

### **PETER WALTER, RN, APNP**

Peter Walter appeared before the Board to request reinstatement of his licenses.

MOTION: Ruth Lindgren moved, seconded by Marilyn Panka, to require Peter Walter, RN, APNP, to have both an AODA assessment and a psychological assessment, performed by two separate practitioners approved by the Board before the Board will consider his request for reinstatement. Motion carried unanimously.

## REQUESTS FOR STAYS OF SUSPENSIONS/CHANGES IN BOARD ORDERS

### **RITA PITZER (BAIRD), RN**

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to grant a three-month stay of suspension but deny the modifications to the Order to Ritz Pitzer, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

### **MARGARET CRAIN, RN**

MOTION: Pamela Maxson-Cooper moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to grant a three-month stay of suspension to Margaret Crain, RN, and to suggest to Ms. Crain that she sign up with the new drug testing program. Motion carried unanimously.

### **WILLIAM DILLEY, RN**

MOTION: Pamela Maxson-Cooper moved, seconded by Jackie Johnsrud, to grant a three-month stay of suspension but deny the modifications to the Order to William Dilley, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

### **DENISE GAUDET, RN**

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to grant a three-month stay of suspension to Denise Gaudet, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

### **LINDA HARRIS-BELL, RN**

MOTION: Marilynn Panka moved, seconded by Pamela Maxson-Cooper, to grant an unlimited license to Linda Harris-Bell, RN. Ruth Lindgren abstained. Motion carried.

### **AMARYLLIS A LANS, RN**

MOTION: Ruth Lindgren moved, seconded by Jackie Johnsrud, to deny the request for a unlimited license to Amaryllis A. Lans, RN, as the refresher course was not pre-approved by the Board and does not meet the Board's criteria. Pamela Maxson-Cooper abstained. Motion carried.

### **KIM MAYER, LPN**

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to deny the request for a stay of suspension to Kim Mayer, LPN, for non-compliance with her Order. Motion carried unanimously.

**TONI MCGRATH, LPN**

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilyn Panka, to deny the request for a stay of suspension to Toni McGrath, LPN, for non-compliance with her Order. Motion carried unanimously.

**SANDRA MILLER, LPN**

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilyn Panka, to reaffirm the suspension of Sandra Miller, LPN. Motion carried unanimously.

**BARBARA JO PATON, RN**

MOTION: Marilyn Panka moved, seconded by Pamela Maxson-Cooper, to grant an unlimited license to Barbara Jo Paton, RN. Ruth Lindgren abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

**HEIDI RIVER, RN**

MOTION: Marilyn Panka moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to grant a three-month stay of suspension to Heidi River, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

**THOMAS M SCHMIDT, III, RN**

MOTION: Marilyn Panka moved, seconded by Jackie Johnsrud, to grant a three-month stay of suspension to Thomas M. Schmidt, III, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

**PROPOSED DECISION**

**ROBIN SWIGGUM, RN**

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilyn Panka, to adopt the proposed decision in the matter concerning Robin Swiggum, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Marilyn Panka moved, seconded by Jackie Johnsrud, to deny the request for a stay of suspension to Robin Swiggum, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

**PROPOSED STIPULATION**

**FRANCES ANN KORYTKOWSKI, LPN**

MOTION: Pamela Maxson-Cooper moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter concerning

Frances Ann Korytkowski, LPN. Case advisor was Ann Brewer. Motion carried unanimously.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE WARNINGS

##### **DEBRA L TROSSEN, RN**

MOTION: Pamela Maxson-Cooper moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to issue an administrative warning in the matter concerning Debra L. Trossen, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

##### **DONNA L GRITT, LPN**

MOTION: Ruth Lindgren moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to issue an administrative warning in the matter concerning Donna L. Gritt, LPN. Motion carried unanimously.

##### **TRACY L MARTIN, RN**

MOTION: Marilynn Panka moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to issue an administrative warning in the matter concerning Tracy L. Martin, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

#### CASE STATUS REPORT

MOTION: Marilynn Panka moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to close complaint **00 NUR 260** for insufficient evidence. Case advisor Linda Sanner abstained. Motion carried.

MOTION: Marilynn Panka moved, seconded by Ruth Lindgren, to close complaint **01 NUR 195** for compliance gained. Case advisor Linda Sanner abstained. Motion carried.

MOTION: Pamela Maxson-Cooper moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to close complaint **01 NUR 048** for insufficient evidence. Case advisor was Jackie Johnsrud. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Pamela Maxson-Cooper, to close complaint **01 NUR 209** for no violation. Case advisor Linda Sanner abstained. Motion carried.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The Board noted the informational items.

#### ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jackie Johnsrud moved, seconded by Marilynn Panka, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.